



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 3653  
PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 08049.0011-00000

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Oscar L. AVANT et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3653  
Application No.: 09/652,707 ) Examiner: Joseph C. Rodriguez  
Filed: August 31, 2000 ) Confirmation No.: 3487  
For: APPARATUS AND METHODS ) Mail Stop AF  
FOR PROCESSING MAILPIECE )  
INFORMATION BY AN )  
IDENTIFICATION CODE SERVER )

Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed July 12, 2005, the period for response having been extended to January 12, 2005 by a request for extension of 3 months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper and begin on page 14.